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ARTICLE XVI.—*On Abscess in the Abdominal Parietes, with some remarks.* By V. A. BROWN, M. B. T. C. A., Surgeon Vol. Artillery, London, &c., late Assistant Surgeon 23rd R. W. Fusiliers.

On the 8th of July last, I was called to see a Mr. Y., aged 30, who was obliged, 3 weeks previously, to give up his trade that of a pump sinker in this city, in consequence of a severe pain which suddenly seized him in the right Iliac region, he then placed himself under the care of another physician, by whom he was leeches and fomented with considerable relief.

On an examination I found an evident fullness of a circumscribed nature in the right Iliac fossa, extending towards the rectus muscle of that side, with perceptible dullness on percussion, and great tenderness on the slightest pressure. No sense of fluctuation could be ascertained, neither was there any discoloration of the skin; he said that for some time he had not felt very well, and that the pain which first seized him when he was at the bottom of a well was of such an acute nature, that he had to be carried home; he had received no hurt whatever on the abdomen, and since the commencement his bowels have been daily evacuated; motions of a dark and unhealthy nature; he has had no sickness of the stomach, no difficulty of micturition, nor any pain in the testicle or hip. The slightest increase in respiration, or any movement